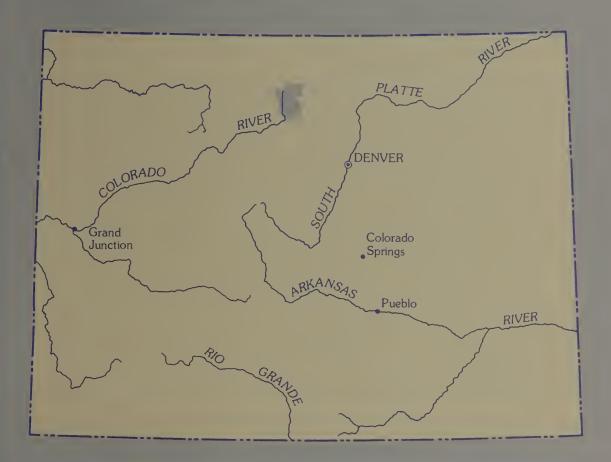
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CONVERSION FACTORS

For use of readers who prefer to use inch-pound units, conversion factors for terms used in this report are listed below:

Multiply	Ву	To obtain
meter (m) kilometer (km) hectare (ha)	3.281 0.6214 2.471	foot mile acre
liter (L)	0.2642	gallon
cubic meter per second (m ³ /s)	35.31	cubic foot per second
nanometer (nm)	3.281×10 ⁻⁹	foot
milligram (mg)	0.03527×10 ⁻³	ounce, avoirdupois
milliliter (mL)	0.03382	ounce, fluid
centimeter (cm)	3.281×10 ⁻²	foot
cubic meter (m ³)	35.32	cubic foot

Temperature in degree Celsius (°C) can be converted to degree Fahrenheit (°F) as follows:

°F=9/5 °C+32

The following terms and abbreviations are also used in this report:

micrograms per liter ($\mu g/L$) micromolar (μM) milligrams per liter (m g/L) (relative) in vivo fluorescence (IVF) units

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ABSTRACT

Phytoplankton populations and related chemical and physical characteristics were monitored in Sky Pond and The Loch in Loch Vale, Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado, during the spring, summer, and fall of 1984, as part of a long-term study to determine the effects of precipitation chemistry on biogeochemical processes in high-elevation lakes and drainage basins that might be adversely affected by acid rain. Three distinct periods in the sequence of phytoplankton populations were observed: (1) A spring population peak that was dominated by diatoms, mainly Asterionella formosa, and some green algal species; (2) a midsummer population minimum, when the diatom populations decreased 10- to 100-fold; and (3) a fall population peak, which was almost unialgal, dominated by a filamentous blue-green alga, Oscillatoria limnetica. The spring diatom peak could have been caused by the two-fold increase in nitrate concentration during the spring snowmelt. The midsummer diatom decrease most likely was caused by zooplankton grazing, or photoinhibition, or both, rather than by phosphate depletion because orthophosphate concentrations increased at this time. It is further hypothesized that the rapid flushing rates during spring are an important factor regulating phytoplankton populations in these lakes.

INTRODUCTION

A study of phytoplankton populations and related chemical and physical characteristics in Sky Pond, Glass Lake, and The Loch in Loch Vale in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado, was begun in the spring of 1984. The purpose of this study was to describe the seasonal changes in phytoplankton abundance and species composition in relation to seasonal changes in nutrient concentrations [nitrate (NO3), ammonia (NH4), and phosphate (PO4)] and in the physical characteristics of the lakes (flushing rate, light intensity, ice cover, and temperature, for example). This information will be used to compare the lakes in Loch Vale with other alpine and montane (subalpine) lakes where the phytoplankton has been studied and to design future onsite experiments to determine the response of the phytoplankton to potential increasing nitrate concentrations that could result from acid rain.

Purpose and Scope

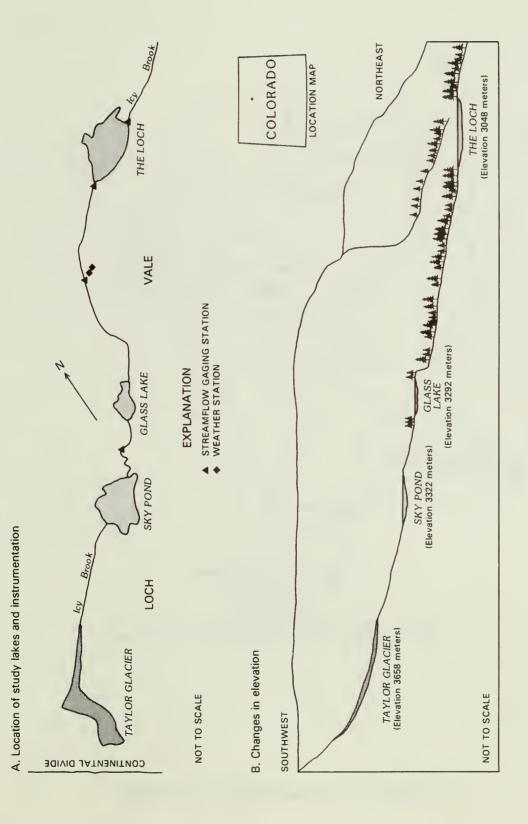
This report presents the phytoplankton data collected at Sky Pond, Glass Lake, and The Loch from May 1984 through January 1985. Phytoplankton data for Sky Pond were collected on 11 days from May 29, 1984, to January 22, 1985. Phytoplankton data for Glass Lake only were collected on May 22, 1984. Phytoplankton data for the Loch were collected on 14 days from May 23, 1984, to January 22, 1985. Other data collected at Sky Pond and The Loch include concentrations of major cations and anions, nutrients, organic carbon, and chlorophyll. Some preliminary interpretations are made pertaining to the causes of the phytoplankton population peaks in the spring and fall of 1984 and of the substantial phytoplankton population decrease in midsummer.

Location and Description of the Study Area

The study area is the Loch Vale area in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colorado, which contains three lakes: Sky Pond, Glass Lake, and The Loch, which are drained by a perennial stream, Icy Brook (fig. 1). These lakes are all oligotrophic and dilute; the lakes occupy cirques formed during former advances and retreats of Taylor Glacier. Sky Pond (fig. 2) is classified as an alpine lake based on its elevation of 3,322 m; it is typical of other alpine lakes in Colorado with a rock-and-gravel drainage basin and year-round snowfields in the drainage basin (Pennak, 1963). Sky Pond has surface area of about 3.03 ha, a maximum depth of 7.3 m, an average depth of 4.5 m; the lake does not become thermally stratified during spring and summer. Glass Lake (fig. 3) has an elevation of 3,292 m; it is at treeline, surrounded by krummholtz, rocks, and meadows. Glass Lake has a surface area of 1.01 ha, a maximum depth of 4.7 m, and an average depth of 2.8 m. The Loch (fig. 4) has an elevation of 3,048 m; it is surrounded by a spruce-fir forest composed of Engleman spruce, subalpine fir, and a few limber pines. The Loch has a surface area of about 4.98 ha, and is shallower than Sky Pond, with a maximum depth of 4.7 m at a depression in the southeast part of the lake bed and an average depth of 1.5 m. Both Glass Lake and The Loch are classified as montane (or subalpine) lakes and do not become thermally stratified during spring and summer. These lakes are visited frequently by hikers and campers during the summer. The lowest lake in elevation, The Loch, is 2 km from the nearest parking lot road. The morphometric characteristics of the three lakes is summarized in table 1.

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Location of study lakes and Changes in elevation. Figure 1. -- Plan and cross-sectional views of the study area: A. instrumentation.

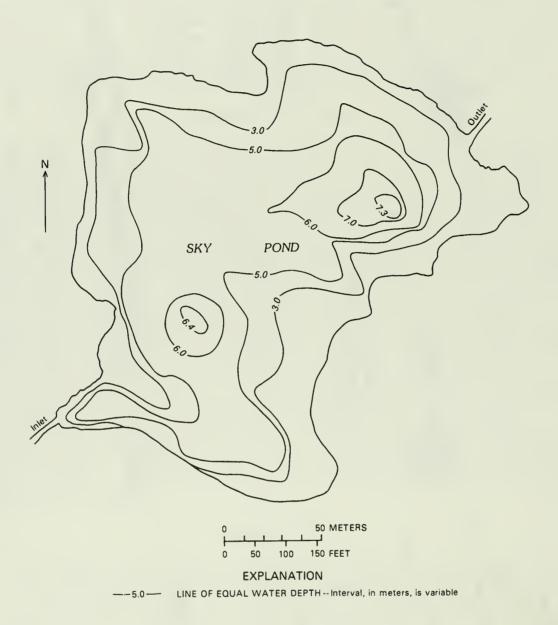


Figure 2.--Bathymetric map of Sky Pond.

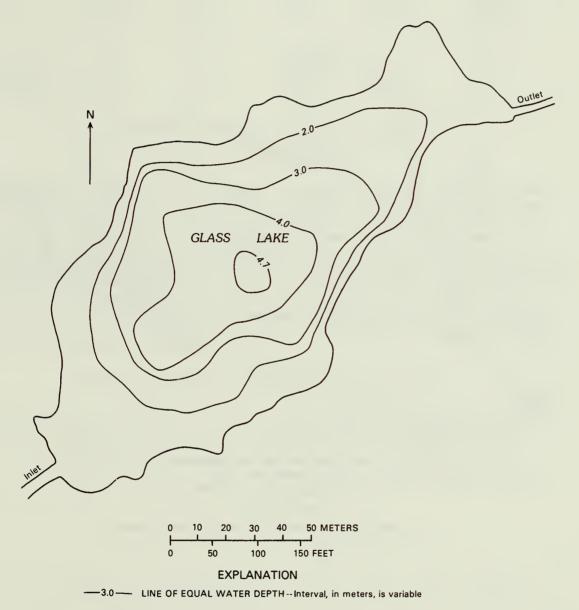


Figure 3.--Bathymetric map of Glass Lake.

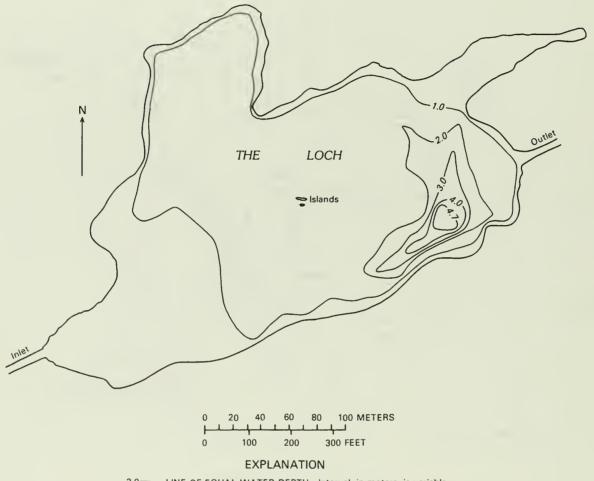


Figure 4.--Bathymetric map of The Loch.

Table 1.--Morphometric characteristics of the study lakes [m, meters; ha, hectares; m³, cubic meters]

Lake	Elevation (m)	Surface area (ha)	Lake volume (m³)	Average depth (m)	Maximum depth (m)
Sky Pond	3,322	3.03	121,684	4.5	7.3
Glass Lake	3,292	1.01	25,690	2.8	4.7
The Loch	3,048	4.98	61,099	1.5	4.7

METHODS OF DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS

Phytoplankton Populations

Discrete 1-L samples for determination of phytoplankton populations were collected at 3 depths in each lake using a VanDorn sampler¹. Phytoplankton also were collected using a Wildco 40-mesh size, 12.7-cm diameter net; tows were made from a small rubber raft over the deepest area of each lake; phytoplankton from 2 or 3 tows were analyzed as one sample. The abundance of the phytoplankton was estimated, based on the number of tows, the depth of the tows, and the area of net opening, assuming all water above the net passed through the net during the tow. Lugol's solution was added promptly as a preservative to the discrete and tow samples. Algal species were identified and counted by Chadwick and Associates, Littleton, Colorado, using settling columns and an inverted microscope.

Chlorophyll a, Phaeopigments, and Fluorescence

Samples from the same three VanDorn depth samples used for the discrete photoplankton samples also were filtered through GFC glass-fiber filters for analysis of chlorophyll a concentrations by extraction in acetone with a correction for phaeopigments using the method described by Strickland and Parsons (1972). The fluorescence of the living phytoplankton was measured using a Turner Designs model-10 series fluorometer in water samples from 1-m depth intervals within a few hours of sample collection.

Nutrients and Other Chemical Constituents

Samples for chemical analysis were collected using a VanDorn sampler, and were filtered through 0.4 µm Nuclepore filters into 250 mL plastic bottles. Nitrate, nitrite, ammonia, and orthophosphate concentrations were determined by various colorometric methods, as described by Skougstad and others (1979). Color pH, and silica, iron, calcium, and sulfate concentrations were determined by methods described by Skougstad and others (1979). Dissolved-organic-carbon (DOC) and suspended-organic-carbon (SOC) concentrations were determined using an Oceanographic International #524B-AA-303 Organic Carbon Analyzer. All analyses were performed by the U.S. Geological Survey central laboratory in Denver.

¹The use of trade names in this report is for identification only and does not constitute endorsement by the U.S. Geological Survey.

Selected Physical Characteristics

The intensity of photosynthetically active radiation (PAR: from 400 to 700 nm) and the temperature were measured at 0.5- or 1-m intervals in each lake, using a LI-COR lightmeter and a YS1 Model 51B temperature/dissolved-oxygen meter. The extinction coefficient (E) was calculated from light-intensity data with depth by using linear regression of the equation:

$$lnI = lnI_o + Ez$$
 (1)

where

I=PAR intensity, in lux;
I_=PAR intensity at the lake surface, in lux;
E=extinction coefficient; and
z=depth, in meters.

SEASONAL CHANGES

One of the unique features of alpine and montane (subalpine) lakes and streams is a large increase in stream discharge during the spring snowmelt period. As indicated by the data for The Loch presented in table 2, during the spring and sometimes during the summer, the rate at which water is flushed from the lake increases to the point that almost all water in the lake is replaced every day. This rapid flushing rate is significant in terms of the dynamics of the resident phytoplankton populations. For the phytoplankton populations to maintain the same cell densities during this time of year, the algae must grow at a rate that matches the flushing rate, assuming that there is not a significant inflow of phytoplankton to the lake at the inlet. The algal growth rates necessary to match maximum flushing rates in the spring are close to one division per day, which is a very rapid growth rate compared with growth rates of algae grown in laboratory cultures under optimal light, temperature, and nutrient conditions.

Phytoplankton Populations

Seasonal changes in phytoplankton populations in 1-L discrete surface samples during the study period are summarized in table 3 for Sky Pond and table 4 for The Loch. The complete enumerations of algae in the 1-L discrete depth samples collected on different sampling dates are listed in tables 5-10 (spring and summer) and 11-13 (fall and winter) for Sky Pond, and in tables 14-21 (spring and summer) and 22-25 (fall and winter) for The Loch. The phytoplankton data from the net tows from all three lakes are presented in tables 26-33. Tables 5-33 are in the "Supplemental Data" section at the end of the report. Comparison of the data from the discrete samples with data from the net tows clearly indicates that the phytoplankton abundance is substantially underestimated by the net tows if the assumption is made that the volume filtered by the net tow was equal to the product of the entire depth of the water column and the area of the opening of the net. In all probability, the net clogged early on during the tows and water simply was displaced, rather than filtered, thereafter. Seasonal changes in the

Table 2.--Stream discharge of Icy Brook at the outlet of The Loch, and flushing and residence times calculated for The Loch

$[m^3/s,$	cubic	meters	per	second;	d,	days]	
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Sampling date	Discharge ¹ (m³/s)	Flushing rate (d ⁻¹)	Residence time (d)
5-16-84	0.27	0.38	2.6
5-23-84	.54	.77	1.3
6-5-84	.37	.53	1.9
6-13-84	.64	.90	1.1
6-20-84	.65	.91	1.1
6-27-84	. 65	.91	1.1
7-3-84	.82	1.16	.9
7-17-84	.33	. 47	2.1
7-25-84	.94	1.33	.8
8-6-84	. 47	.67	1.5
8-15-84	.50	.70	1.4
8-30-84	. 40	.57	1.8
9-13-84	. 32	. 45	2.2
10-11-84	.21	.30	3.3

¹Average value for 24 hours was used.

abundance of the major alga phyla in Sky Pond are presented in figure 5. From these data, three different periods can be identified: (1) A spring population peak that was dominated by diatoms, mainly Asterionella formosa, and some green algal species; (2) a midsummer population minimum, when diatom populations decreased 10- to 100-fold and green-algal populations increased; and (3) a fall population peak that was dominated by a filamentous blue-green alga, Oscillatoria limmetica.

Because of the greater cell volume of diatoms relative to blue-green algae, the spring diatom peak may correspond to a greater algal biomass than the fall blue-green algal peak. The same general pattern was observed in The Loch, with the exception that in The Loch filamentous blue-green algae were abundant in late May (5/23) and then decreased in abundance with the increase in the Asterionella formosa population. These blue-green algae may have bloomed under the ice and been flushed out of the lake with the spring snowmelt. The spring increase in the diatom populations indicates that these populations were growing at rates of about one division per day during this period of rapid flushing rates.

Examination of the data from the different depths indicates some interesting trends (tables 5-13 for Sky Pond and tables 14-25 for The Loch). In both lakes, the Asterionella formosa population had a uniform depth distribution during the summer; however, A. formosa had its greatest abundance

²A constant lake volume of 61,099 cubic meters for the open-water period was assumed.

Table 3.--Seasonal changes in phytoplankton in surface samples from Sky Pond, as collected in 1-liter discrete samples

[m, major species; e, equally distributed among listed species; 13,100, cell density, in cells per milliliter]

Sampling date	Diatoms	Green algae		s n Blue-green algae	Dino- flagellates
5-22-84	(m. Asterionella formosa)	(m. Eudorina elegans)		(Aphanothece sp.)
5-29-84	13,100 (m. A. formosa)	2,350 (m. Nephrocytium limnetium)		1,900 (m. Oscillatoria limnetica)	
6-12-84	32,000 (m. A. formosa)	2,950 (m. N. limneticu	m)	680 (m. O. limmetica	57) (m. Peridinium inconspicua)
	6,300 (m. A. formosa)	1,000 (m. Chlorella ellipsoidea)	250	280 (m. O. limmetica)
7-10-84	1,200 (m. A. formosa)	2,700 (e. Chlamydomona sp., Octospori coloradensis; Chlorella elli soidea)	ella and	7,100 (m. O. limmetica	28) (m. P. inconspicua)
7-24-84	530 (m. A. formosa)	9,949 (m. C. elliposoi		13,350 (m. O. limnetica	
8-14-84	511 (m. A. formosa)	12,300 (m. C. elliposoi		58,700 (m. O. limnetica)
9-11-84	200 (m. A. formosa)	2,300 (e. Chlamydomona sp., Pandorina morum, and Chl cocum infusion	oro-	160,200 (m. O. limnetica	
10-9-84	300 (m. A. formosa)	3,600 (m. Chlamydomona		197,400 (m. O. limonetic	57 a) (m. P. inconspicua)
12-4-84	(m. A. formosa)	 (m. Chlamydomona	 s)(m. Dino- bryon cy lindricu	7-	
1-22-85	(32,000 in hypolimnion, m. A. formosa)	1,400	1,700 (m. D. cy- lindricu		

Table 4.--Seasonal changes in phytoplankton in surface samples from The Loch, as collected in 1-liter discrete samples

[m, major species; e, equally distributed among listed species; 880, cell density, in cells per milliliter]

Sampling date	Diatoms	Green algae	Chrysophytes (m. Dinobryon divergens)	n Blue-green	Dino- flagellates
5-23-84	880 (m. Asterionella formosa)	400	200	14,700 (m. Microcystis sp. and Aphanothece sp.	
6-5-84	2,900 (m. A. formosa)	1,020 (distributed)		170 (m. Chroococcus limneticus)	
6-13-84	(m. A. formosa)	(m. E. elegans)			
6-20-84	3,400 (m. A. formosa)	600 (m. Chlamydo- monas sp.)	28		
6-27-84	2,200 (m. A. formosa)	350 (m. Chlamydo- monas sp.)			
7-3-84	860 (m. A. formosa)	790 (distributed)	85	85 (m. C. limneticus)	
7-17-84	 (e. Melosira lirata and A. formosa)				
7-25-84	260 (m. A. formosa)	1,530 (distributed)		600 (m. Oscillatoria limnetica	
8-15-84	28 (m. Navicula schassmanic)	5,140 (m. Chlamydomona	 as)	200 (m. Anabaena sp.)	
8-30-84	70 (m. Fragilaria pinnata)	6,034 (m. <i>Chlorella</i> s _l	 p.)	230 (m. O. limnetica)	
9-13-84	19 (m. A. formosa)	2,500 (m. Gonium sp.)		20,300 (m. O. limnetica)	
10-11-84	28 (m. A. formosa)	1,200 (distributed)		8,800 (m. O. limmetica)	
12-6-84	340 (m. Diatoma hiemale)	910 (distributed)	230 (m. Dino- bryon cylin- dricum)	795 (m. O. limnetica) (m.	230 Peridinium sp.
1-22-85	1,590 (m. A. formosa)	(m. Chloro- coccum)	230 (m. D. cylin- dricum)	2,590 (m. C. limneticus)(m. b	28 Peridinium ipes)

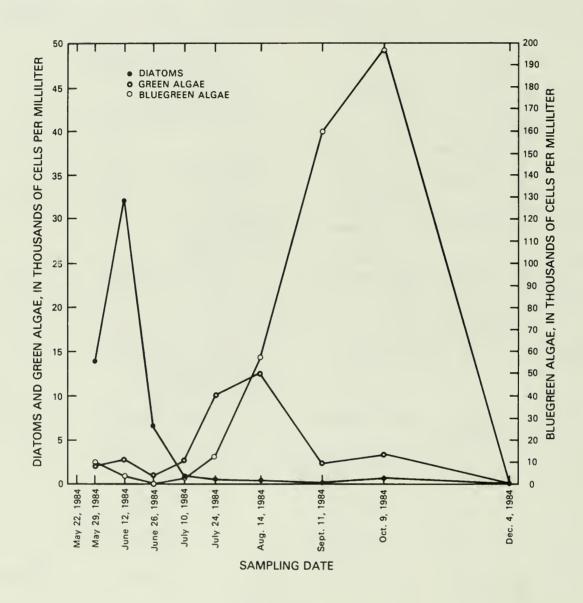


Figure 5.--Seasonal changes in phytoplankton populations in Sky Pond (see table 3).

at depth in the winter and in the first sample in May. Green algae were represented by the most species in both Sky Pond and The Loch; the distribution of different species with depth was variable. Another similarity in the data sets for Sky Pond and The Loch is the peak abundance of Oscillatoria limnetica in September (table 11 for Sky Pond and table 22 for The Loch). In both lakes, large differences in abundance between depths were observed; however, the location of the greatest abundance varied between lakes and sampling dates.

Concentrations of Chlorophyll a and Phaeopigment, and Fluorescence

The chlorophyll a and phaeopigment concentrations, as measured by extraction of glass-fiber filters, and the fluorescence of living phytoplankton are listed for the different sampling dates in table 34 for Sky Pond and in table 35 for The Loch in the "Supplemental Data" section at the end of the report. Seasonal changes in extracted chlorophyll a concentration in surface samples from Sky Pond are shown in figure 6. Comparison of figures 5 and 6 indicates that the same seasonal pattern occurred for algal abundance and chlorophyll a concentrations and provides further evidence of a greater algal biomass associated with the early spring diatom bloom than with the fall blue-green algal bloom. Little correspondence appears to occur between the extracted chlorophyll a concentration and the fluorescence data, either for the period of study, or for different depths on a single sampling date. relation between the cellular chlorophyll a content and the fluorescence of living phytoplankton is known to vary significantly among algal species, and with changes in physiological status for a single algal species (Alpine and Cloern, 1985). Therefore the failure to observe a well-defined relation between these two characteristics in this study is consistent with the recorded changes in the phytoplankton-species composition.

Chlorophyll a concentrations measured in Sky Pond and The Loch are similar in magnitude to those measured by Ellsworth (1983) in another small Colorado mountain lake during the same season. Toetz and Windell (1983) measured chlorophyll a concentrations in 7 lakes in the nearby Green Lakes Valley in August; they measured concentrations of chlorophyll a ranging from 0.5 to 10 μ g/L (micrograms per liter), which is comparable to the range measured in Loch Vale lakes during August.

Concentrations of Nutrients and Other Chemical Constituents

Concentrations of nutrients and other chemical constituents are listed in table 36 for Sky Pond and in table 37 for The Loch. Seasonal changes in nitrate and orthophosphate concentrations in Sky Pond are shown in figure 7. Throughout the open-water period of this study, nutrient concentrations virtually were uniform with depth, which fact is explained by lack of temperature stratification in these lakes (fig. 8). Therefore, nutrients released from lake sediments would be available to phytoplankton in the water column. In both Sky Pond and The Loch, during the winter, under ice-cover, steep concentration gradients with depth occurred for several nutrients, with the greatest nitrate conentrations at the surface, and the greatest orthophosphate and iron concentrations at depth. These gradients may have reflected anaerobic microbial processes occurring in the lake sediments or in the

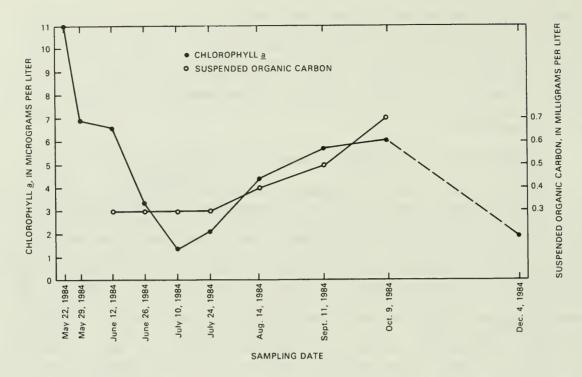


Figure 6.--Seasonal changes in chlorophyll a and suspended-organic-carbon concentrations in surface samples from Sky Pond (see table 34 and 39).

bottom waters. In early May, the concentration maximum in nitrate at the surface increased in magnitude, which was consistent with inflow of nitrate-enriched water from shallow subsurface runoff travelling under the snowpack, as snowmelt began. Development of this peak in surface nitrate concentration appeared to be delayed in Sky Pond, relative to The Loch, which is at a lower elevation.

The spring increase in nitrate concentration extended to depth as the lakes became ice-free, with the continuing spring runoff. Similar seasonal trends in nitrate concentration were determined in previous years of the study at Loch Vale. This trend of increasing nitrate concentrations with discharge in the spring runoff period is the opposite of the trend of decreasing spring nitrate concentrations determined by Lewis and Grant (1979) in Como Creek, a small Rocky Mountain stream draining a watershed only 40 km south of the Loch Vale area. However, the nitrate concentrations Lewis and Grant (1979) measured in Como Creek were in the range of 1 to 7 $\mu g/L$, more than 2 orders of magnitude less than those in Loch Vale surface waters. Toetz and Windell (1983, and written commun., 1984) measured nitrate concentrations in Albion Lake in the Green Lakes system ranging from 45 to 700 $\mu g/L$ in the summers of 1983 and 1984, which is a more limited but comparable range to that measured in Loch Vale lakes.

Halterman and Toetz (1984) studied the kinetics of nitrate uptake by many freshwater algal species. They determined that several diatom species had half-saturation coefficients (K) for nitrate of 2.5 to 7 μ M (micromolar) which were about the maximum for all algal species studied. If the

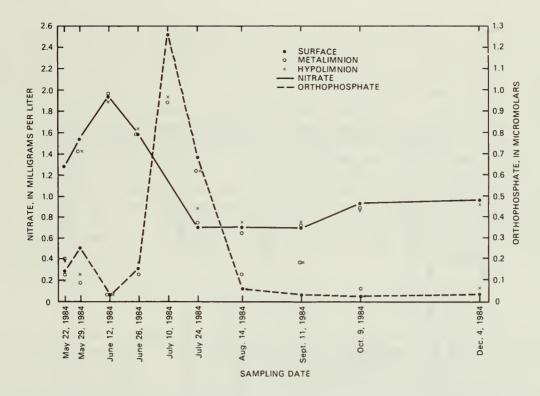


Figure 7.--Seasonal changes in nitrate and orthophosphate concentration in Sky Pond (see table 36).

Asterionella formosa populations in these lakes had K values of 7 to 10 μM , the spring increase in nitrate concentration, from 22I $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ (3.5 $\mu\text{M})$ on May 8, 1984, to 1,950 $\mu\text{g}/\text{L}$ (31.5 $\mu\text{M})$ on June 6, 1984, in Sky Pond, would result in an increased rate of nitrate uptake, if the concentrations of other nutrients were not limiting the growth of A. formosa. The enhanced nitrate uptake rates may have been an important factor in the rapid growth rates necessary to account for the increases in diatom abundance that occur during the periods of rapid flushing rates in the spring. The significance of these rapid flushing rates for alpine lakes was discussed by Keefer and Pennak (1977), who determined that 99 percent of the plankton in Long Lake, Colorado, was flushed out by excessive June runoff. A possibility also exists that increased nitrate concentrations are related to lower temperature optima for algal photosynthesis and respiration (Priscu and Goldman, 1984). Therefore, the nitrate peak may be a causal factor in the spring diatom-population peak (comparison of figs. 5 and 7).

During midsummer, the concentrations of dissolved orthophosphate increased substantially. With the exception of higher orthophosphate concentrations in July, the low concentrations of dissolved orthophosphate in Sky Pond and The Loch were similar to concentrations in lakes in the Green Lakes Valley (Toetz and Windell, 1983) and in Como Creek (Lewis and Grant, 1979). Phosphate may have been a limiting nutrient in these lakes. However, the increase in orthophosphate in July during midsummer phytoplankton minimum indicated that the decrease in phytoplankton abundance was not a result of phosphate depletion, but, conversely, that the increase in phosphate was a

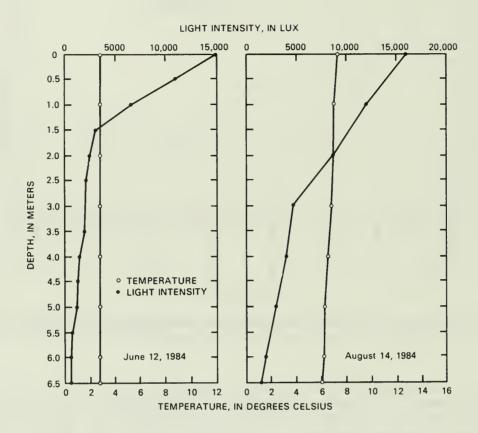


Figure 8.--Temperature and light-intensity profiles in Sky Pond during spring snowmelt (June 12, 1984) and midsummer (August 14, 1984)(see table 40).

result of phytoplankton decrease. This result further indicated that the phytoplankton decrease was caused by another process, such as zooplankton grazing or photoinhibition. Without additional data, both processes are considered as equally possible. Ellsworth (1983) determined maximum zooplankton abundance in midsummer in a study of another Colorado mountain lake. Fabris and Hammer (1975) determined maximum photosynthetic rates at depth in high-altitude lakes in the Canadian Rocky Mountains.

The silica concentration in Sky Pond generally was between 0.5 and 1.5 mg/L (milligrams per liter); the silica concentration in The Loch was somewhat larger, between 1.5 and 3.0 mg/L. At these concentrations, silica limitation of diatom growth was unlikely to be a factor in the ecology of these lakes. A decrease in silica concentration occurred in both lakes during the spring snowmelt period. This decrease may have been a result of hydrologic factors, such as dilution of dissolved silica by snowmelt, or, possibly, the decrease may have been a result of the concurrent peak in diatom abundance.

The DOC and SOC concentrations in the Sky Pond and The Loch are listed in tables 38 and 39 in the "Supplemental Data" section at the end of the report. DOC concentrations in these two lakes consistently were less than 1.0 mg C/L (milligrams carbon per liter). The trend of decreasing DOC through the summer probably was related to the decreasing surface runoff entering these lakes. For both lakes, DOC concentrations were very similar at all sampling depths. The minimum DOC concentrations were in samples from the small inlet to Sky Pond during snowmelt and the maximum DOC concentrations were in samples from a small stream entering The Loch. The SOC concentrations also were low, and were comparable in magnitude to DOC concentrations. As shown in figure 6, for Sky Pond, the increase in SOC concentrations in the fall appeared to parallel the increase in chlorophyll a associated with the blue-green algal peak. In The Loch, no relation between SOC and chlorophyll a concentrations was apparent, which can be interpreted as indicating that the lesser algal abundance in The Loch, relative to Sky Pond, does not contribute significantly to the SOC in The Loch.

Values of Selected Physical Characteristics

Data for pH, temperature, and intensity of PAR are listed in table 40 for Sky Pond and in table 41 for The Loch in the "Supplemental Data" section at the end of the report. Temperature and light profiles in Sky Pond during the peak in diatom abundance (6-12-84), and during the midsummer minimum in algal abundance (8-14-84), are presented in figure 8. These data indicate that the attenuation of PAR with depth is less during midsummer than during the spring or fall. The decrease in light attenuation can be quantified by fitting the data in tables 40 and 41 to the following equation:

$$I=I_{o}^{Ez}.$$
 (2)

The extinction coefficient and Secchi depth in Sky Pond during the period of study are shown in figure 9 and are compared with measurements of color by comparison with standard platinum solutions in table 42 in the "Supplemental Data" section at the end of the report.

Two explanations are possible for the seasonal change in extinction coefficient: (1) At the end of the spring runoff period, the extinction coefficient decreased because of settling of suspended material and decreases in concentration of humic substances in lake inflow, at which point the greater light intensity at depth caused a decrease in photosynthesis rate (photoinhibition) and in phytoplankton abundance; or (2) the extinction coefficient primarily was affected by the phytoplankton abundance, and, in midsummer, some other factor, such as zooplankton grazing, decreased the phytoplankton abundance and caused the extinction coefficient to decrease concurrently.

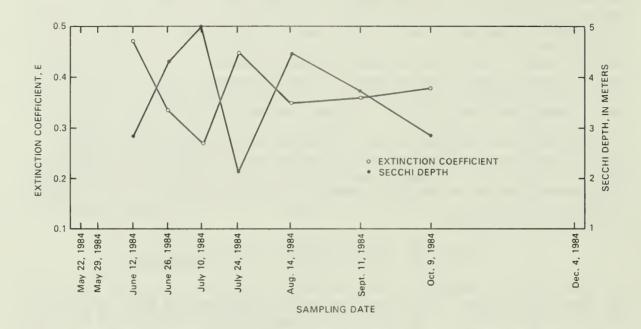


Figure 9.--Seasonal changes in extinction coefficient and Secchi depth in Sky Pond.

SUMMARY

The purpose of the study reported here was to identify important seasonal changes in the phytoplankton populations in Loch Vale lakes in order to design experiments to study the effects of potential nitrate-concentration increases resulting from acid rain. Three periods were identified in the phytoplankton succession in the lakes: (1) A spring diatom bloom; (2) a midsummer algal minimum; and (3) a fall blue-green algal bloom.

Although the seasonal changes in phytoplankton populations in the Loch Vale lakes resembled the general pattern observed in temperate lakes, these lakes are probably different in several ways from temperate lakes at lower elevations. Thermal stratification in the summer did not occur; therefore, the summer decrease in phytoplankton abundance was most likely a result of zooplankton grazing or photoinhibition, and not a result of phosphate depletion as occurs in typical temperate lakes. In fact, phosphate concentrations increased during the decrease in phytoplankton, indicating that the lake bottom or the dead phytoplankton are a source of phosphate at this time. spring diatom bloom occurred at times of rapid flushing rates, resulting from rapid melting of the substantial snowpack. The diatom bloom during a period of rapid flushing rates implies a rapid phytoplankton growth rate. growth rate, in turn, may have been stimulated by the concurrent two-fold increase in nitrate concentrations, if the nitrate-uptake kinetics of the diatom populations in the Loch Vale lakes are similar to those of freshwater diatoms studied by Halterman and Toetz (1984).

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SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

Table 5.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, May 29, 1984

		(cells per	milliliter)	
Таха	Н	M	S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Melosira lirata	85	57		
Order Pennales				
Achnanthes linearis	57			
Asterionella formosa	20,107	15,535	13,092	
Fragilaria crotonensis	170		57	
Synedra rumpens		28		
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicu.	laris 256	114	142	
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	28			
Chlorogonium sp.	85		57	
Closterium sp.		57		
Eudorina elegans	568	511		
Gloeococcus tetrasporus		227		
Gonium sp.			85	
Nephrocytium limneticum	4,004	2,925	1,079	
Octosporiella coloradensis		114	256	
Pandorina smithii		909	260	
Scenedesmus sp.	511	341	369	
Ulothrix sp.		341	454	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon divergens	28	28	85	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Chroococcus limneticus	284		1,505	
Chroococcus sp.	28	114	369	
Oscillatoria limmetica	625			
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp.	3,465	1,676	170	
Cryptomonas sp.		28		
Total cells per milliliter	30,301	23,005	17,720	
Number of species	15	16	13	

Table 6.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, June 12, 1984

Taxa	Density H	(cells per	milliliter) S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Melosira lirata	454			
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa Fragilaria pinnata Synedra rumpens	26,639 284	30,502 170	30,786 398 341	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlorella ellipsoidea Chlorococcum sp. Closterium sp. Gonium sp. Nephrocytium limneticum Octosporiella coloradensis Scenedesmus sp. Schroederia setigera CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae) Dinobryon divergens	170 341 170 2,840 284 341 57	114 398 57 114 1,477 682 341 682	227 227 398 1,704 170 227	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae) Chroococcus limneticus Oscillatoria limnetica	454 	 909	 682	
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium inconspicua			57	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp. Cryptomonas ovata	3,010 57	3,238	1,988	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	35,300	38,684	37,205 12	

Table 7.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, June 26, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

			milliliter)
Таха	Н	M	S
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)			
Order Centrales			
Melosira lirata	227		
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa Synedra rumpens	6,674 256	7,270 170	6,248 114
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlamydomonas sp. 2 Chlorella ellipsoidea Closterium sp. Gloeococcus tetrasporus Gonium sp. Nephrocytium limneticum Octosporiella coloradensis Scenedesmus sp. CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)	227 227 142 738 85 85 142	57 85 28 966 57 85 85 57 170	142 228 57 511 57 28 57 28
Dinobryon divergens	909	426	256
YANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			
Chroococcus limneticus Oscillatoria limnetica	142 909		284
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)			
Chroomonas sp. Cryptomonas marsonii	1,818 57	1,619 	1,704 28
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	12,638 15	11,075	9,742

Table 8.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, July 10, 1984

Taxa	Density H	(cells per M	milliliter) S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Cyclotella stelligera	28			
Melosira lirata	170			
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa	1,221	1,505	1,164	
Diatoma niemale var. mesodon		28		
Fragilaria crotonensis		57		
Navicula schmassmannii	28			
Synedra radians		28	85	
Synedra rumpens	57			
Synedra rumpens var. familiaris			57	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicui	laris 28			
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	170	57	1,051	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	114	511	85	
Chlamydomonas sp. 3		142	426	
Chlorella ellipsoidea	4,487	3,749	369	
Gloeococcus tetrasporus		28		
Gonium sp.	142		568	
Octosporiella coloradensis	114	568	312	
Scenedesmus sp.	57	57		
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon divergens	852	1,278		
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Chroococcus limneticus		114		
Dactylococcopsis acicularis	28	85	85	
Oscillatoria limnetica	3,522	2,755	7,128	
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium inconspicua		28	28	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp. Rhodomonas minuta	511 	1,079 	284 256	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	11,529 16	12,069	11,898	

Table 9. -- Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, July 24, 1984

Taxa	Density H	(cells per m	milliliter) S
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)			
Order Centrales			
Cyclotella stelligera	28		85
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa Fragilaria pinnata Synedra radians Synedra rumpens var. familiaris	683 57 	1,306 114 170	483 57
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Ankistrodesmus facatus var. acicularis Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlamydomonas sp. 2 Chlamydomonas sp. 3 Chlorella ellipsoidea Chlorococcum infusionum Eudorina elegans Gonium sp. Spirogyra sp. Zoospores	199 483 540 4,004 1,903 28 57 142	57 2,442 398 738 21,300 966 227	341 824 596 7,924 28 85 85
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)			
Dinobryon divergens	170	114	312
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			
Oscillatoria limnetica	8,350	29,422	13,348
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates) Peridinium inconspicua	85		
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)			
Chroomonas sp.		114	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	16,699 14	57,368 13	24,225

Table 10.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, August 14, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

Taxa	Density ((cells per M	milliliter) S	<u>)</u>
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa	707	682	511	
Navicula schmassmannii	28			
Synedra radians	114			
Synedra rumpens var. familiaris		57	57	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	398	1,250	170	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	1,250	114	2,357	
Chlamydomonas sp. 3	568	114	85	
Chlorella ellipsoidea	9,315	7,668	8,974	
Chlorococcum infusionum	3,324	682		
Eudorina elegans			511	
Gonium sp.	284	170		
Scenedesmus sp.			57	
Zoospores		170	142	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Chroococcus limneticus	710		540	
Oscillatoria limnetica	29,337	31,354	58,731	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp.	85	57	28	
Total cells per milliliter	46,120	42,318	72,163	
Number of species	12	11	12	

Table 11.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, September 11, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

Taxa	Density H	(cells per	milliliter) S
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)		······································	-
Order Centrales			
	0.0		
Melosira lirata	28		57
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa	57	341	85
Synedra rumpens			57
Synedra rumpens var. familiaris	28	57	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	28	966	284
Chlamydomonas sp. 2		568	85
Chlamydomonas sp. 3			28
Chlorococcum infusionum	341		312
Gonium sociale		398	
Gonium sp.	880	227	511
Pandorina morum	57	682 114	1,079
Scenedesmus sp.	37	114	-
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			
Chroococcus limneticus			114
Oscillatoria limnetica	371,023	315,341	160,233
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)			
Chroomonas sp.	227	114	
Rhodomonas minuta		114	28
Total cells per milliliter	372,669	318,922	162,873
Number of species	9	11	12

Table 12.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, October 9, 1984

m			milliliter)
Taxa	Н	M	S
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)			
Order Centrales			
Melosira lirata		57	
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa Synedra rumpens var. familiaris	114 114	114 114	312 57
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlamydomonas sp. 2 Chlamydomonas sp. 3	1,448 85 	3,578 398 57	2,755 767
Chlorococcum infusionum Cosmarium sp.	1,931		14 57
Eudorina elegans Gonium sp.	284 284		114
Nephrocytium limneticum Scenedesmus sp.	28 	57 227	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)			
Dinobryon divergens			28
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			
Chroococcus limneticus Oscillatoria limnetica Synechococcus linearis	170 264,688 	114 453,636 	 197,437 28
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)			
Peridinium inconspicua			57
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)			
Chroomonas sp. Rhodomonas minuta	625 	114 57	312
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	269,771 11	458,523 12	201,938

Table 13.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from Sky Pond, January 22, 1985

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

		(cells per mi	
Taxa	Н	M	S
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)			
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa	32,092	114	
Syndera rumpens var. familiaris	28		
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis		170	28
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	114	28	682
Chlorogonium sp.	2 /02		28
Chlorococcum sp. Nephrocytium sp.	3,493 199	1,732	682
Scenedesmus sp.	227	57	002
benedesinds sp.	221	37	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)			
Dinobryon cylindricum var. alpinum	1,619	1,818	28
Unicellular flagellate			227
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			
Chroococcus limneticus	85	1,136	
Total cells per milliliter	38,425	5,055	1,675
Number of species	9	7	6

Table 14.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, May 23, 1984

Taxa	Density (cells per	milliliter) S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Cyclotella stelligera	57			
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa	3,578	824	880	
Pinnularia borealis			28	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis	57	114	28	
Ankistrodesmus nannoselene		114	256	
Chlamydomonas sp. 1			57	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	57	199		
Chlorogonium sp.	57			
Eudorina elegans		852		
Oocystis sp.		28		
Scenedesmus sp.	909	57	57	
Schroederia setigera			28	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon divergens	114	57		
Unicellular flagellate		385	199	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Aphanothece sp.	18,627	20,107	11,076	
Chroococcus limneticus	227			
Chroococcus sp.	852		227	
Lyngbya nana	682			
Microcystis sp.			3,408	
Oscillatoria augustissima	568			
Oscillatoria limnetica		85		
Oscillatoria sp.		398		
Synechococcus elogatus		7,100	85	
Synechococcus linearis	114	1,761	1/0	
Synechocystis sp.	4,317		142	
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium inconspicua	284			
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp.	114	28	170	
Cryptomonas sp.	341	28		
Total cells per milliliter	30,955	32,137	16,641	
Number of species	17	16	14	

Table 15.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, June 13, 1984

Таха	Density H	(cells per mil	liliter)
ACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)			
Order Centrales			
Melosira lirata	227		
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa	2,840	2,868	
Meridion circulare		28	
Navicula viridula	28		
HLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis	28	57	
Ankistrodesmus nannoselene	28	227	
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	568	227	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	57	142	
Chlorogonium sp.	(0)	57	
Eudorina elegans Gloeococcus tetrasporus	426 341		
Gonium sp.		28	
Octosporiella coloradensis	256	170	
Scenedesmus sp.	57	114	
*			
HRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)			
Dinobryon divergens		426	
YANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			
Chrococcus limneticus	199	170	
Chi oococcus limnecicus	199	170	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)			
Cryptomonas sp.	etr etr	170	
Rhodomonas minuta	57	57	
Cotal cells per milliliter	5,112	4,741	
Number of species	13	14	

Table 16. -- Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, June 20, 1984

Taxa	Density H	(cells per	milliliter S	·)
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Cyclotella stelligera Melosira lirata	 227	28 	57 	
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa Navicula minima Navicula pseudoscutiformis Synedra radians	5,566 28 28	3,436 28 28	3,436	
Synedra rumpens		28	28	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis Ankistrodesmus nannoselene Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlamydomonas sp. 2 Chlorella ellipsoidea Eudorina elegans Gonium sp. Octosporiella coloradensis Scenedesmus sp.	28 85 454 114 284 57	57 738 284 57 28 114	57 114 369 28 28	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
<i>Dinobryon divergens</i> Unicellular flagellate		57 	 28	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Aphanocapsa delicatissima	1,221			
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium inconspicua	28			
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp. Rhodomonas minuta	284	57 57	483 	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	8,404	5,054 15	4,628 10	

Table 17.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, June 27, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

Taxa	Density H	(cells per	milliliter) S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa Navicula notha Synedra radians	1,179 	5,112 57	2,215 28 28	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis Ankistrodesmus nannoselene Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlamydomonas sp. 2 Chlorogonium sp. Closterium sp. Eudorina elegans Octosporiella coloradensis Scenedesmus sp.	142 170 28	57 227 114 170 57 57 1,590 57	57 227 28 57	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon divergens	71	284		
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp.	185	568	341	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	1,775	8,464 13	2,981	

Table 18.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, July 3, 1984

Taxa	Density (d	cells per i	milliliter) S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Cyclotella stelligera Melosira lirata	19 76			
Order Pennales				
Achnanthes detha Asterionella formosa Synedra radians	718 	19 624 	57 795 28	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. aciculari: Ankistrodesmus nannoselene Chlamydomonas sp. 1 Chlamydomonas sp. 2 Chlamydomonas sp. 3 Chlorella ellipsoidea Chlorogonium sp. Eudorina elegans Gonium sociale Gonium sp. Scenedesmus sp. 2 CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae) Dinobryon divergens Dinobryon pediforme CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae) Chroococcus limneticus Oscillatoria limnetica	5 38 208 57 38 284 19 138 38	38 95 19 19 132 19	28 28 227 28 199 85 114 28 57	
DVDDODUVTA (D'(111)				
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium sp.		19		
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp. Rhodomonas minuta	435 19	246 	256 	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	2,768 16	1,325 12	2,100 16	

Table 19.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, July 25, 1984

Taxa	Density (cells per m	nilliliter) S
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)	*		
Order Centrales			
Cyclotella stelligera Melosira lirata	28 	 43	
Order Pennales			
Asterionella formosa			244
Fragilaria pinnata	28		
Hannaea arcus		14	28
Meridion circulare		43	
Nitzschia paleacea	14		
Synedra rumpens var. familiaris	28		
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)			
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	383	185	142
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	85	256	256
Chlamydomonas sp. 3	43		170
Chlorella ellipsoidea	511	454	852
Eudorina elegans		57	85
Gonium sp.			28
Scenedesmus sp.		28	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)			•
Chroococcus limneticus	142	99	28
Lyngbya nana	540		
Oscillatoria limnetica		43	568
Phormidium sp.		454	
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)			
Peridinium inconspicua		14	
Peridinium sp.		14	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)			
Chilomonas sp.		14	
Total cells per milliliter	1,802	1,718	2,401
Number of species	10	14	10

Table 20.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, August 15, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

Таха	Density (cells per n	nilliliter) S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Melosira lirata		99		
Order Pennales				
Cymbella minuta	28			
Diatoma niemale var. mesodon	28			
Navicula schmassmannii			28	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	2,670		511	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	5,936	4,658	4,317	
Chlorella ellipsoidea	57	28	199	
Scenedesmus sp.			114	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Anabaena sp.			170	
Chroococcus limneticus		28	28	
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium inconspicua	28			
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
· -	0.0			
Chroomonas sp.	28			
Total cells per milliliter	8,775	4,813	5,367	
Number of species	7	4	7	

Table 21.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, August 30, 1984

	Density (cells per i	milliliter)	
Taxa	Н	М	S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Cyclotella stelligera			14	
Order Pennales				
Achnanthes detha	28	14		
Asterionella formosa		14		
Diatoma niemale var. mesodon	28	114		
Eunotia sp.		14		
Fragilaria pinnata	14		57	
Hannaea arcus		14		
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	71	14	227	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	14			
Chlorella ellipsoidea	170	28	14	
Chlorella sp.			4,984	
Gonium sp.	4,524	6,248	809	
Scenedesmus sp.	28	28		
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Chroococcus limneticus	57	43		
Chroococcus varius			28	
Oscillatoria limnetica		284	199	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Cryptomonas marsonii			14	
Cryptomonas sp.		14		
Total cells per milliliter	5,934	6,829	6,346	
Number of species	9	12	9	

Table 22.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, September 13, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

н	M	S	
	,		
	,		
	114		
		19	
	57		
28			
284	398	142	
114		341	
3,692	2,048	2,073	
28	170	596	
6,333	19,028	19,710	
28	57	28	
10,507	21,872	22,909	
	114 3,692 28 6,333	28	284 398 142 114 341 3,692 2,048 2,073 28 170 596 6,333 19,028 19,710 28 57 28 10,507 21,872 22,909

Table 23.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, October 11, 1984

			milliliter)	
Таха	Н	M	S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa			28	
Diatoma hiemale var. mesodon	~ ~	57		
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	312	2,556	426	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2			227	
Chlamydomonas sp. 3	1,562	142	312	
Scenedesmus serratus			114	
Scenedesmus sp.			114	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon divergens		653	170	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Aphanothece sp.			1,079	
Chroococcus sp.	142			
Oscillatoria limnetica	13,774	7,952	7,725	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Chroomonas sp.			256	
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	15,790	11,360	10,451	

Table 24.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, December 6, 1984

[H, hypolimnion; M, metalimnion; S, surface; --, indicates species not found]

Taxa	Density (cells per m	S S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa		28		
Diatoma hiemale var. mesodon	1,732	1,846	341	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis		227	28	
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	2,102	312	426	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	227		57	
Chlamydomonas sp. 3		824	199	
Chlorella ellipsoidea		114	170	
Chlorogonium sp. Cosmarium sp.	341	 28		
Gonium sp.			28	
Nephrocytium sp.		28	20	
Scenedesmus sp.	57	256		
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon sp.	653	1,335	227	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Chroococcus sp.	511	28		
Oscillatoria limnetica	1,278	2,698	795	
Synecnococcus sp.		28		
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium sp.	369	738	227	
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Cryptomonas marsonii	28			
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	7,326 11	8,490	2,498	

Table 25.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in 1-liter discrete samples from The Loch, January 22, 1984

		(cells per m		
Taxa	Н	M	S	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)				
Order Centrales				
Cyclotella stelligera	28			
Order Pennales				
Asterionella formosa	4,090	4,317	1,590	
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CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)				
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis	57	114	28	
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	056	28		
Chlorococcum sp.	256 57	682 257	227 85	
Nephrocytium sp. Scenedesmus sp.	57 57	57	57	
scenedes and sp.	31	37	37	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)				
Dinobryon cylindricum var. alpinum	256	511	227	
Dinobryon statospore	28	28		
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)				
Chroococcus limneticus	710	4,175	2,589	
Synecnococcus elongatus	57			
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)				
Peridinium bipes var. travectum	28	142	28	
Dinoflagellate	20	- 1.2		
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)				
Cryptomonas erosa		57		
Cryptomonas marsonii Cryptomonas sp.	28 28			
ergpeomonas sp.	20			
Fotal cells per milliliter	5,680	10,368	4,831	
Number of species	13	11	8	

Table 26.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from Sky Pond, May 22 and 29, June 12 and 26, July 10 and 24, and August 14, 1984

		De	nsity (ce indic		millilite s in 1984		
Taxa	5-22	5-29	6-12	6-26	7-10	7-24	8-141
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatom	ıs)						
Order Centrales							
Cyclotella stelligera Melosira lirata	 154	37 263	 97	 523	75 205	 48	68 31
Order Pennales							
Achnanthes affinis Achnanthes detha	3 5			- - 38	24 72		
Achnanthes linearis Achnanthes linearis		223					
f. curta Achnanthes marginulata	 2		 97	8		 36	
Achnanthes sp.		 (F 070	97		8	12	
Caloneis bacillum	37,968 	65,272 	125,127	47,076 	13,768	7,814 	2,918
Cymbella minuta Cymbella minuta			21	4	8		
f. latens Diatoma anceps					24	 5	
Eunotia incisa					4		
Eunotia pectinalis					15		
Fragilaria capucina Fragilaria construens				4		12	12
var. venter				26		12	
Fragilaria crotonensis		223		4			
Fragilaria pinnata	8		843	37	75	189	6
Frustula rhomboides				4			
Meridion circulare Navicula contenta				26		77	6
var. <i>biceps</i>						5	
Navicula minima Navicula				11	8		6
psuedoscutiformis					16		6
Navicula schmassmannii				4	1	31	
Navicula subbacillum					24		
Navicula sp.				4			
Nitzschia frustulum							12
Nitzschia linearis				4		6	6
Pinnularia borealis			10		19		
Surirella sp.							6

Table 26.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from Sky Pond, May 22 and 29, June 12 and 26, July 10 and 24, and August 14, 1984--Continued

		Den		lls per i			
Taxa	5-22	5-29	6-12	6-26	7 - 10	7-24	8-14
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diato		ontinued					
Synedra radians Synedra rumpens						157	12
var. familiaris Synedra sp.				 26		5 	 9
CHLOROPHYTA (Green alg	gae)						
Ankistrodesmus falcatu	ເຮ						
var. acicularis		112	48				
Chlamydomonas dinobryd	on	598					
Chlamydomonas sp. 1		784	145	680		2,762	50
Chlamydomonas sp. 2		4,898	24	78	280	2,134	6
Chlamydomonas sp. 3			72			314	31
Chlorella ellipsoidea					467	879	87
Chlorogonium sp.				52			
Closterium sp.			24				
Corone sp.							12
Cosmarium sp. 1	19						
Cosmarium sp. 2	19						
Eudorina elegans	42,350	24,173	9,801	2,275		2,605	
Gloeococcus	•	Í	Í	·		ŕ	
tetrasporus	3,536	336	483	16,372	243	345	
Gonium sp.	77					188	
Nephrocytium limneticu Octosporiella	m	150					
coloradensis	346	224	531		654		
Pandorina morum	192						
Pandorina smithii	4,881	2,391			·	439	
Pandorina sp.	2,345						
Pleodorina	•						
californicum	11,760	2,616		418			
Scenedesmus sp.		150					
Schroederia setigera			386				
Zoospores			772		243	126	
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-br	rown alg	gae)					
Dinobryon divergens	77	189	410	4,551	2,298	220	12

Table 26.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from Sky Pond, May 22 and 29, June 12 and 26, July 10 and 24, and August 14, 1984--Continued

		Density (cells per milliliter) for indicated days in 1984							
Taxa	5-22	5-29	6-12	6-26	7-10	7-24	8-14		
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green	n algae)							
Aphanothece sp.	692								
Chroococcus limmeticus Dactylococcoposis	s	37				188			
acicularis		24							
Dactylococcopsis									
fasciculatus		24							
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflage)	llates)								
Peridinium inconspicus	a			52					
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomon	nads)								
Chroomonas sp.			121				19		
Cryptomonas marsonii				78					
Cryptomonas sp.			48						
Rhodomonas minuta					19				
Total cells									
per milliliter	104,434	103,044	139,785	73,828	20,632	28,621	8,607		
Number of species	18	19	23	27	26	26	21		

¹Sample not well preserved.

Table 27.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from Sky Pond, September 11 and October 9, 1984

		111=9
	9-11	10-9
ILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)		
rder Centrales		
delosira lirata	23	71
rder Pennales		
chnanthes affinis	1	
chnanthes detha	<1	
chnanthes levanderi	1	
chnanthes linearis	1	
nomoeoneis serians		
var. brachysira	<1	
sterionella formosa	598	875
aloneis bacillum		1
ymbella minuta f. latens	6	
ragilaria crotonensis	2	
ragilaria leptostauron		
var. dubia	4	13
ragilaria pinnata	25	79
ragilaria virescens		7
avicula elginensis		
var. lata	<1	
Mavicula luzonensis	<1	
Navicula minima	1	1
avicula minuscula		1
avicula schmassmanii	<1	
itzschia frustulum	<1	7
itzschia linearis	<1	
itzschia microcephala	<1	
yndera rumpens		
var. familiaris	15	12
OROPHYTA (Green algae)		
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	18	2,170
Chlamydomonas sp. 2		173
Chlamydomonas sp. 3		74
Chlorococcum infusionum	375	
Dictyosphaerium sp.		99
Eudorina sp.	94	444
Gloeocystis sp.	-	99
Gonium sociale	23	
Gonium sp.	463	2,565
Octosporiella coloradensis		99
Pandorina morum	70	
ANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)		
	75,633	133,283
tal calle non =:11:1:4	77 255	1/0 0/9
tal cells per milliliter mber of species	77,355 26	140,048

Table 28.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from Glass Lake, May 22, 1984

Taxa Density	y (cells per milliliter) for 5-22-84
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)	
Order Pennales	
Asterionella formosa	97,704
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)	
Ankistrodesmus falcatus	
var. acicularis	143
Eudorina sp.	31,563
Gonium sp.	574
Nephrocytium sp.	430
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae	e)
Dinobryon divergens	10,184
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)	
Aphanothece sp.	47,633
Chroococcus dispersus	143
Total cells per milliliter	188,374
Number of species	8

Table 29.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from The Loch, May 23, 1983, and June 5, 13, 20, and 27, 1984

[--, indicates species not found]

m	Density (cells per milliliter) for indicated days in 1983 and 1984					
Taxa	1983	<u> </u>	198		6 27	
	5-22	6-5	6-13	6-20	6-27	
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)						
Order Centrales						
Cyclotella stelligera	36	15	30	1,049		
Melosira lirata			81	29	454	
Order Pennales						
Achnanthes affinis		5			2	
Achnanthes austriaca					1	
Achnanthes clevei					2	
Achnanthes detha	24	5	3		18	
Achnanthes linearis		21			10	
Achnanthes marginulata		26			1	
Asterionella formosa	2,726	20,153	6 000	22,119	_	
	2,720	20,133	6,880	22,119	6,893 17	
Caloneis sp.						
Cymbella lunata					1	
Cymbella minuta					1	
Cymbella minuta					2	
var. silesica					2	
Diatoma anceps					34	
Diatoma hiemale	,	15	10	0		
var. mesodon	4	15	10	9	,	
Eunotia pectinalis					1	
Fragilaria capucina	8		101		9	
Fragilaria construens					0	
var. venter					8	
Fragilaria crotonensis				18		
Fragilaria pinnata	,	51			45	
Frustula rhomboides	4		3			
Hannaea arcus	12	10	6			
Hannaea arcus					_	
var. amphioxys					1	
Hantzschia amphioxys					1	
Meridion circulare		10	10		17	
Navicula arvensis					2	
Navicula contenta						
var. biceps	4		3			
Navicula minima					2	
Navicula pseudoscutiformis	8		3			
Navicula schmassmannii	12				2	
Navicula viridula					1	
Navicula sp.					1	
Nitzschia frustulum			10			
Nitzschia paleacea					1	
Pinnularia borealis	4				1	
Rhopalodia gibba	4					

Table 29.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from The Loch, May 23, 1983, and June 5, 13, 20, and 27, 1984-Continued

	:		ls per mil lays in 198	3 and 198	
Taxa	1983		19		
	5-22	6-5	6-13	6-20	6-27
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)Con Order PennalesContinued	tinued				
Synedra pmansitica		5			
Synedra radians	12		10	87	50
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)					
Ankistodesmus convolutus		33			
Ankistrodesmus falcatus					34
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis	12	33		29	
Ankistrodesmus nannoselene	24				
Chlamydomonas sp. 1			20	50	
Chlamydomonas sp. 2	24	520		175	
Cosmarium sp.				58	
Eudorina elegans		2,702	787	4,925	
Gloeococcus tetraspora	18	585	222		
Octosporiella coloradensis			222	495	
Pandorina morum				29	
Scenedesmus abundans					67
Scenedesmus serratus					67
Scenedesmus sp.	24	195			
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown alga	e)				
Dinobryon divergens	24		293	262	605
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)					
Anabaena sp.					
Aphanocapsa delicatissima					960
Aphanotheca sp.		193			
Lyngbya nana					269
Microcystis sp.	598				
Oscillatoria limnetica		488		700	
Synechococcus linearis	36				
Synechocystis sp.	60				
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)					
Peridinium inconspicua	72				
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)					
Rhodomonas sp.		5			
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	3,750 23	25,070 20	8,704 18	30,034 15	9,606

Table 30.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from The Loch, July 3, 17, and 25, and August 15, and 30, 1984

[--, indicates species not found]

	Дет	nsity (cell: indica	s per mill: ted days i:		r
Taxa	7-3	7-17	7-25	8-15	8-30
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)					
Order Centrales					
Cyclotella stelligera		5		5	74
Melosira lirata	169	225	233	193	50
Order Pennales					
Achnanthes affinis		2			
Achnanthes austriaca	400 400	***		5	
Achnanthes detha		17	6	16	21
Achnanthes lanceolata				11	
Achnanthes linearis		1	2	***	
Achnanthes marginulata		1	2		
Achnanthes minutissima	5				
Asterionella formosa	1,290	188	174	11	
Caloneis sp.				5	
Cymbella minuta		5		11	
Cymbella minuta					
var. silesica				5	
Diatoma anceps	5	16			
Diatoma hiemale	J				
var. mesodon	10	31	23	16	74
Fragilaria construens					
var. venter			2		
Fragilaria crotonensis			2		
Fragilaria pinnata		5	9	55	74
Fragilaria vaucheriae				16	
Hannaea arcus	5	21	12	22	2
Hannaea arcus	3	21	12		
var. amphioxys	5			11	
Meridion circulare	10	31	233	22	
Navicula arvensis				5	
Navicula cryptocephala				3	
var. venta				5	
Navicula cuspidata		5			
Navicula notha				11	
Navicula pseudoscutiformis		2			
Navicula pupula		2			
Navicula radiosa	5				
Navicula schmassmanni	10			22	9
Navicula sp.	5				
Pinnularia abaujensis	J				
var. rostrata				5	
Pinnularia borealis				5	
Stauroneis smithii				5	

Table 30.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from The Loch, July 3, 17, and 25, and August 15, and 30, 1984-Continued

	Dei		s per mill: ted days in		r
Taxa	7-3	7 - 17	7-25	8-15	8-30
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)Co Order PennalesContinued	ontinued				
Synedra radians Synedra rumpens	10		12	11	
var. familiaris			12	3	
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)					
Chlamydomonas sp. 1			58	44	1,270
Chlamydomonas sp. 2			12	208	25
Chlorella ellipsoidea			23		
Cosmarium sp.		5			
Eudorina elegans	179				
Gonium sp.				27	100
Pteromonas sp.			12	27	
Scenedesmus abundans				22	
Scenedesmus quadricauda					
var. maximum				22	
Scenedesmus serratus				22	
Spirogyra sp.	5			55	
Staurastrum sp.		5			
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown alg	gae)				
Dinobryon divergens	95	141			
Dinobryon pediforme	15				
CHYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae	e)				
Anabaena sp.	120			175	
Aphanotheca sp.					1,021
Chroccoccus limneticus			12	5	50
Chroccoccus varius					100
Lyngbya nana			116	66	
Lyngbya sp.				55	
Oscillatoria limnetica					349
Oscillatoria sp.				55	
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)					
Peridinium inconspicua	5				
Peridinium sp.		5	56		
CRYPTOPHYTA (Cryptomonads)					
Chilomonas sp.			12		
Total cells per milliliter	1,948	714	1,023	1,270	3,241
Number of species	18	20	21	37	15

Table 31.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from The Loch, September 13 and October 11, 1984

D Taxa	-	er milliliter) for days in 1984
	9-13	10-11
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)		
Order Centrales		
Melosira lirata	368	
Order Pennales		
Achnanthes detha	15	10
Achnanthes sp.	5	
Asterionella formosa	90	186
Diatoma hiemale var. meso Fragilaria construens	don 1	10
var. venter	43	
Fragilaria pinnata	129	39
Fragilaria virescens	32	
Meridion circulare	164	
Navicula minima	20	20
Tabellaria flocculosa		10
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)		
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	41	20
Chlamydomonas sp. 3	286	29
Closterium sp.	24	
Elakotothrix viridis		20
Gonium sp.	980	
Sphaerozosma sp.	41	
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green alga	e)	
Anabaena sp.	204	
Nostoc paludosum	164	
Oscillatoria limnetica	10,519	15,143
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)	
Peridinium inconspicua		20
Total cells per milliliter	13,126	15,507
Number of species	18	11

Table 32.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected in net tows from Sky Pond, December 4, and The Loch, December 6, 1984

De	Density (cells per milliliter)for indicated days in 1984						
		The Loch	_				
Taxa	12-4	12-6					
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)							
Order Centrales							
Cyclotella stelligera	17	14					
Melosira lirata	50	14					
Order Pennales							
Anomoeoneis serians var. brachys.	ira	14					
Asterionella formosa	290	8,453					
Fragilaria pinnata	17						
Fragilaria vaucheriae		2					
Hannaea arcus		3					
Navicula radiosa	2						
Navicula viricula var. aveame		21					
Navicula sp.	8						
Nitzschia dissipata		3					
Pinnularia borealis		2					
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)							
Ankistodesmus falcatus var. acic	ularis	14					
Chlamydomonas sp. 1	12	307					
Chlamydomonas sp. 2		7					
Chlamydomonas sp. 3	4						
Chlamydomonas sp. 4		7					
Gonium sp.	12						
Scenedesmus sp.	8	70					
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae)							
Dinobryon cylindricum var. alpin	<i>um</i> 103	4,129					
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)							
		42					
Gloeothece sp. Oscillatoria limnetica	14,655	586					
Oscillatoria sp.		112					
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)							
		1,381					
Peridinium sp.		1,501					
Total cells per milliliter	15,178	15,181					
Number of species	12	19					

Table 33.--Species list and density of phytoplankton taxa collected from Sky Pond, and The Loch, January 22, 1985

	for 1	per milliliter) -22-85
Taxa	Sky Pond	The Loch
BACILLARIOPHYTA (Diatoms)		
Order Centrales		
Melosira lirata		67
Order Pennales		
Asterionella formosa Fragilaria pinnata	3,837 18	14,351
CHLOROPHYTA (Green algae)		
Ankistrodesmus falcatus var. acicularis Eudorina elegans	50 114	59
CHRYSOPHYTA (Golden-brown algae))	
Dinobryon cylindricum var. alpinum	5,660	1,353
CYANOPHYTA (Blue-green algae)		
Synechococcus sp.		134
PYRROPHYTA (Dinoflagellates)		
Peridinium bipes var. travectum	14	849
Total cells per milliliter Number of species	9,693	16,813

Table 34.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of chlorophyll a and phaeopigments, and in fluorescence data for Sky Pond

[S, surface; M, metalimnion; H, hypolimnion; C, chlorophyll a, in micrograms per liter; P, phaeopigments, in micrograms per liter; F, fluorescense of living phytoplankton, in relative *in vivo* fluorescence units; --, indicates no data]

		Depth (meters)									
Sampling date	Charac- teristic	S 0.5	1.0	2.0	M 3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	H 6.5		
5-22-84	C P	11.0									
5-29-84	C P	6.9 .84			6.7 1.8				9.4 2.5		
6-12-84	C P	6.6 .70			6.4				7.0 .62		
6-26-84	C P F	3.3 .07 6.2	2.3	2.5	3.2 .16 2.4	 2.3	 2.4	 2.6	2.6 .38		
7-10-84	C P F	1.38 .43 1.84	 1.80	 1.74	1.76 .41 1.99	 1.77	 1.65	 1.87	1.7		
7-24-84	C P F	2.2 .68 3.6	 3.8	 3.5	2.1 .65 3.4	 3.3	 3.3	 3.1	2.3 .67 2.8		
8-14-84	C P F	4.4 .65 3.1	 3.0	 2.8	3.8 1.1 2.9	 3.0	 2.8	 2.8	4.0 1.0 2.8		
9-11-84	C P F	5.73 .34 1.68	 1.84	 1.84	5.8 .5 1.77	 1.77	 1.9	 1.71	6.3 0 1.77		
10-9-84	C P	6.15 .81			5.22				6.6		
12-4-84	C P	1.9 1.1							1.6 3.7		

Table 35.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of chlorophyll a and phaeopigments, and in fluorescence data for The Loch

[S, surface; M, metalimnion; H, hypolimnion; C, chlorophyll a, in micrograms per liter; P, phaeopigments, in micrograms per liter; F, fluorescense of living phytoplankton, in relative *in vivo* fluorescence units; --, indicates no data]

				Depth (me	eters)		
Sampling date	Charac- teristic	0.5	1.0	<u>M</u> 2.0	3.0	H 4.0	H 4.8
5-23-84	C P	0.34		0.75			
6-5-84	C P	1.30 .33		1.76 .18		1.04 0	
6-13-84	C P	1.47 .28		1.57 .23		1.43 .49	
6-27-85	C P F	.74 .12 1.08	 1.14	.43 .14 1.20	 1.20	 1.17	
7-3-84	C P F	. 29 . 14 . 76	 .79	.22 .12 .76	 .79	.33 .11 .76	
7-17-84	C P F	.23 1.17	 1.20	.25 .27 1.36	 1.30	.61 .36 1.30	
7-25-84	C P F	.53 .39 1.33	 1.23	.63 .41 1.14	 1.27	.72 .44 1.08	
8-15-84	C P F	.63 .29 1.33	 .6	2.03 .63 2.09	 2.12	 3.1	2.86 .58 2.0
8-30-84	C P F	2.75 .19 2.4	 2.2	3.52 .15 2.6	 2.9	 2.5	2.89 .20 2.5
9-13-84	C P F	1.74 .61 1.74	 1.96	2.02 .43 1.96	 1.96	 1.96	1.69 .61 1.30
10-11-84	C P F	.77 .16 1.04	 1.11	0.81 .21 1.17	 1.14	 1.14	0.58 .22 1.08
12-6-84	C P	6.1 .71		7.7 1.93		4.45 2.00	

Table 36.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of nutrients and other chemical constituents in Sky Pond

[S, surface at 0.5 meter; M, metalimnion at 3 meters; H, hypolimnion at 6.5 meters; NO₃, nitrate; NO₂, nitrite; NH₄, ammonia; PO₄, phosphate; P, phosphorous; SiO₂, silica; Fe, iron; Ca, calcium; SO₄, sulfate; µg/L, microgram per liter; µM, micromolar; mg/L, milligrams per liter; --, indicates no data]

Sampling date	Depth (S,M,H)	ΝΟ ₃ (μg/L)	ΝΟ ₂ (μg/L)	NH ₄ (µg/L)	PO ₄ (µM)	Total P (mg/L)	SiO ₂ (mg/L)	Fe (µg/L)	Ca (mg/L)	SO ₄ (mg/L)
1-9-84	S M H	532 532 266		11.5 7.7 20	0.06 .06 .06		1.3 1.6 .58	13 16 23	1.3 1.4 1.3	1.72 1.76 1.86
2-28-84	S M H	930 433 266	 	288 282 300	. 29 . 23 . 29		1.6 1.0 1.3	21 16 280	1.8 1.4 1.6	2.09 1.67 1.49
5-8-84	S M H	221 221		27 5 75	.03 .09 .16		.7 .3 1.8	25 390	1.5 1.6 1.8	1.73 1.77 1.68
5-15-84	S M H	886 89 44		101 28 14	.06 .03 .23		.6 .3 .1	35 20 71	1.5 1.4 1.5	.89 1.84 1.73
5-22-84	S M H	1,285 399 177		69 41 51	.13 .13 .19		.76 .4 .37	32 38 58	1.4 1.6 1.6	1.89 1.98 1.98
5-29-84	S M H	1,550 1,420 1,420		68 83 61	. 26 . 09 . 13		1.0	38 35 39	1.5 1.5 1.5	1.88 1.82 1.85
6-12-84	S M H	1,950 1,900		51 57	.03 .03 .03	.01	.8	19 13	1.6	1.95 1.95
6-26-84	S M H	1,595 1,595 1,640	 	23 27 29	. 16 . 13 . 19	.01	1.0 1.0 1.0	14 17 26	1.2 1.3 1.3	1.53 1.5 1.56
7-10-84	S M H		6.6 6.6	10 11	1.26 .94 .97	.01		 		
7-24-84	S M H	709 757 886	10 10 6.6	22 40 27	.68 .62 .62	.01	1.1	26 29	.8	.84 .88
8-14-84	S M H	709 660 753	12 10 6.6	28 10	.06 .13 .06	.01	1.1	11 6	.08	.92 .95
9-11-84	S M H	709 731 753	23 23 23	19 22 22	6.0 .19 .19		1.4	25 13	1.0	
10-9-84	S M H	930 886 886	 10 	6 9 6	.03 .06 .06	.01		6 12	 	1.4
12-4-84	S M H	1,950 930	 	24 41	.06 .06			12 35	 	2.4 2.4 1.7

Table 37.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of nutrients and other chemical constituents in The Loch

[S, surface at 0.5 meter; M, metalimnion at 2 meters; H, hypolimnion at 4 meters; NO_3 , nitrate; NO_2 , nitrite; NH_4 , ammonia; PO_4 , phosphate; P, phosphorous; SiO_2 , silica; Fe, iron; Ca, calcium; SO_4 , sulfate; μ g/L, microgram per liter; μ M, micromolar; mg/L, milligrams per liter; --, indicates no data]

Sampling date	Depth (S,M,H)	NO ₃	NO ₂ (µg/L)	NH ₄ (µg/L)	PO ₄ (μM)	Total P (mg/L)	SiO ₂ (mg/L)	Fe (µg/L)	Ca (mg/L)	SO ₄ (mg/L)
12-27-83	S M H	1,373 532 399					3.2 2.1 2.2	82 110 130	2.1 2.4 2.0	2.41 1.98 1.96
3-06-84	S M H	399 443 88	 	26 27 27	0.16		2.6 2.6 2.1	91 96 100	2.1 2.1 2.2	2.18 2.23 2.35
4-17-84	S M H	975 797 133	 	35 41 9	.10 .19		3.0 1.9 1.9	120 100 140	2.1 2.1 2.3	2.4 2.35 2.22
5-07-84	S M H	1,063 310 177	 	60 65 72	.03		3.9 2.3 2.7	240 180 220	2.4 2.3 2.4	2.27 2.28 2.12
5-16-84	S M H	1,640 975 310	 	70 80 72	.03 .03	 	2.4 2.4 2.3	99 100 400	1.6 1.7 2.4	1.97 2.19 2.18
5-23-84	S M H	1,420 1,420 1,063	 	61 61 58	.13 .13 .03	 	2.0 2.0 2.0	65 79 200	1.4 1.4 1.9	1.81 1.96 2.09
6-05-84	S M H	1,370 1,470 1,420		47 42 70	.03 .03 .03	0.03 .02 .02	1.7 1.7 1.7	31 37 33	1.4 1.3 1.4	1.6 1.59 1.62
6-13-84	S M H	1,595 1,640 1,595	 	45 46 44	.03 .03	.01 .01 .01	2.0 2.0 2.0	36 36 37	1.5 1.6 1.5	1.72 1.73 1.73
6-20-84	S M H	1,329 1,329 1,373		40 42 33	. 16 . 16 . 19		1.6 1.7 1.7	18 30 30	1.1 1.3 1.3	1.42 1.43 1.43
6-27-84	S M H	1,285 1,240		51 37	. 39 . 16 . 19		1.5 1.5	21 20 	1.2 1.2	1.35 1.31
7-03-84	S M H			43 41	.19	.01 .02	 	 		
7-17-84	S M H		10 6.6	19 9	 .64	.01 .01 .01				
7-25-84	S M H	930 930	6.6 3.3 6.6	39 32	.68 .61 .64	.01	1.5 1.5	20 21	1.0	1.14 1.08

Table 37.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of nutrients and other chemical constituents in The Loch--Continued

Sampling date	Depth (S,M,H)	NO ₃ (μg/L)	NO ₂ (μg/L)	ΝΗ ₄ (μg/L)	PO ₄ (μΜ)	Total P (mg/L)	SiO ₂ (mg/L)	Fe (µg/L)	Ca (mg/L)	SO ₄ (mg/L)
8-06-84	S	44		10	0.07				0.02?	0.01?
	M									
	Н									
8-15-84	S	665	10	13	.07	.01	1.5	26	1.0	1.14
	M	691	6.6	4	. 19	.01				
	Н				.23	.01				
8-30-84	S									
	M	483	6.6	4	. 10	.01				
	Н	496	6.6	10	.07	.01				
9-13-84	S	886	26	22	. 19	.01	1.9	21	1.2	1.4
	M	837	23	27	.19	.01				
	Н	890	23	20	. 19	.01	1.8	3	1.1	1.4
10-11-84	S	975		7	.07	.01				
	М	1,020		10	.07	.01				
	Н	1,060		7	.07	.01				
12-6-84	S	1,150		6	.07	2.0				
	M	841		6	.07					
	Н	709		6	.07	.01				

Table 38.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of dissolved organic carbon in surface waters in Loch Vale

[S, surface; M, metalimnion; H, hypolimnion; --, indicates no data]

Concentration of dissolved organic carbon (milligrams carbon per liter)										
(mill:		grams car	rbon p	er lit	er)					
Sky Pond										
Mid-lake station	Samp-			Mid-	lake sta	tion				
t Depth (meters)		Outlet	Inlet	Dep	th (mete	rs)	Outlet	Loch		
	_							Creek		
$\frac{5}{0.5}$ $\frac{3}{3}$ $\frac{6}{6}$	34 00									
0.5 5 0				0.5		~				
	-3-84		0.7	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.8	3.6		
0.6 0.4 0.4	-10-84	0.4								
	-17-84		.8	1.0	.9	.8	.9			
.5 .5 .5	-24-84	.5								
	-25-84	-	. 7	.9	. 8	.9	.9	2.7		
2 .3 .4 .4	-14-84	. 4								
	-15-84		. 4	.6	.6	.6	.6	2.7		
3 .4 .4 .4	-11-84	. 4								
	-13-84		.6	.8	.8		.7			
	0-11-84		1.3	1.8	2.0	1.8	2.2			
Depth (meters) S M H 0.5 3 6 0.6 0.4 0.45 .5 .5 2 .3 .4 .4	ling date -3-84 -10-84 -17-84 -24-84 -14-84 -15-84 -11-84 -13-84	.5	0.7 .8 .7 .4 	Dep S 0.5 0.9 1.0 .9 .6 .8	1 (mete) M 2 0.8 9 8 6 8	0.7 .8 .9 	 .9 .9 .6 	3. - - 2.		

Table 39.--Seasonal changes in concentrations of suspended organic carbon in surface waters in Loch Vale

[S, surface; M, metalimnion; H, hypolimnion; --, indicates no data]

					n of sus				on		
			Sky Po		grams ca	rbon p	er lite	The Lo	ch		
Samp-		Mid	-lake sta			Mid-lake station					
ling	Inlet		oth (mete		Outlet	Inlet		th (met		Outlet	Loch
date		S	M	Н			S	M	H	,	Creek
		0.5	3	6			0.5	2	4		
6-5-84						0.3	0.5		1.0	0.2	
6-12-84		0.3									
6-20-84						.1	.2	0.2	.5	.2	
6-26-84		.3	0.4	0.5	0.3						
6-27-84						.2	.1	.2	.2	, 2	0.1
7-3-84						.2	.1	.2	.2	.1	.2
7-10-84		.3	.2	.2	.2						
7-17-84						. 2	.2	.2	. 1	.1	
7-24-84		.3		. 4	. 4						
7-25-84						.2	.3	.2	.2	.2	.1
8-14-84	0.1	. 4	. 4	. 4							
8-15-84						.2	.1	.3	.3	.1	.2
8-30-84						. 2			.2		
9-11-84		.5	.5	.5	.3						
9-13-84						.2	.3	.3	.3	.3	
10-9-84		.7	.7	.7	. 7						
10-11-84	4						.2	.1	.1	.1	

Table 40.--Seasonal changes in pH, temperature, and light intensity in Sky Pond [S, surface; M, metalimnion; H, hypolimnion; T, temperature, in degrees celsius; LI, light intensity, in lux; --, indicates no data]

	H 6.0 6.5		2.8 2.8 600 550 6.80 550 6.80 5.5 5.5 5.5							
	5.5	: : :	006	:::	1 1 1	:::	1 1 1	1 1 1		1 1
	5.0	4.0	2.8 1,200 5.6	6.2	5.0	6.2	5.1	2.0 340	: : :	1 1
,	4.5	1 1 1	1,200		1 1 1	:::	: : :	: : :		1 1
	4.0	4.0	2.8 1,400 5.6	6.2	5.0	6.5	5.1	2.0	:::	: :
(5)	3.5	1 1 1	6.5	1 1 1	111	:::	: : :	:::	: : :	1 1
(moto)	M .5 3.0	6.67	2.8 1,900 5.6	6.44 6.2 1,600	6.38 5.0 4,100	6.8	5.2 1,300	7.23 2.0 760	: : :	6.41
Dent	2.5	: : :	2,000	: : :	1 1 1	:::	: : :	111	: : :	1 1
	2.0	:::	2,400	6.2	5.0	7.0	5.2 1,700	2.10 1,100	111	
	1.5	:::	3,100	1 1 1	:::	: : :	: : :	111	111	1 1
	1.0	: : :	2.8 6,500	6.2	6.0	7.0	5.3	2.0	111	1 1
	0.5	1 1 1	11,000	:::	111	111	: : :	: : :	: : :	
	0 0	6.53	6.59 2.8 15,000 11,000 6.70 5.8	6.4 6.3 2,900	6.61 6.8 16,000	7.2	5.5 3,500	7.24 2.0 2,600	5.83	6.40
2 2	acter- istic	pH T LI	ph T LI 11 Ph T	ph T LI	pH T LI	pH T LI	pH T LI	pH T LI	pH T LI	pH T
	Sampling date	5-29-84	6-12-84	7-10-84	7-24-84	8-14-84	9-11-84	10-9-84	12-4-84	1-22-85

Table 41.--Seasonal changes in pH, temperature, and light intensity in The Loch
[S, surface; M, metalimnion; H, hypolimnion; T, temperature, in degrees celsius;
LI, light intensity, in lux; --, indicates no data]

	Char-					Depth (meters)					
Sampling date	acter- istic	<u>S</u>	0.5	1.0	1.5	$\frac{M}{2.0}$	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	H ¹ 4.2-4.8	
5-23-84	pH T	6.0 3.5		4.0		5.97 4.0		4.0		4.0	6.10 4.0	
6-5-84	LI pH T	6.35 4.0		 4.0		6.37 4.0		 4.0		 4.0	6.38 4.0	
6-13-84	LI pH	6.3					6.33				6.34	
	T LI	6.8 13,000	9,800	6.3 7,500	5,200	4.6 4,200	4,000	4.3 3,500	3,000	4.3 2,300	4.3 1,700	
6-20-84	pH T LI	6.29 6.0		6.0		6.30 6.0		6.0		6.0	6.28 6.0	
6-27-86	pH T LI	6.63 6.0 14,000	 12,000	6.0 9,500	 8,500	6.59 6.0 6,500	 5,500	6.0 4,500	 3,500	6.0 3,000	6.57 	
7-3-84	pH T LI	6.51 6.8 15,000		6.4 10,000	 	6.43 6.4 7,000		6.3 5,400	 	6.47 6.2 4,000		
7-17-74	pH T LI	6.33 8.8 18,000		7.5 13,000		7.4 10,000	6.47	7.3 6,500		7.2 6,000	6.38 7.2 5,500	(4.5m)
7-25-84	pH T LI	6.47 7.2		6.9		6.48 6.9		6.8		6.7	6.49	
8-15-84	pH T LI	6.78 11 5,000		9.0 2,800		8.8 2,100		8.5 1,500		6.59 8.2 11,000	8.2 1,000	(4.8m)
8-30-84	pH T LI	6.53 8.9 15,000		8.7 12,000		6.58 8.5 8,000		8.5 5,000		8.5 3,700	6.43 8.5 3,200	
9-13-84	pH T LI	7.0 1,500		6.5 1,100		6.2 820		6.2		6.0 450	6.0	(4.5m)
10-11-84		6.81 3.0 8,500		3.0 6,500		6.81 3.0 3,500	 	3.0 2,500		6.84 3.0 1,400	3.0	(4.5m)
12-6-84	pH T LI	6.2 1 900		130		6.2		 32		6.38		(4.5m)
1-22-85	pH T LI	6.52		1.0		6.44		3.9		6.36 4.0	4.0	(

 $^{^{1}}$ Actual depth of samples and temperature and light measurements indicated in parenthesis.

Table 42.--Seasonal extinction coefficient, Secchi depth, and color in Sky Pond and The Loch

		Sky P	ond		The	Loch
Sampling date	E	Color ¹ (Pt)	Secchi depth (m)	E	Color ¹ (Pt)	Secchi depth (m)
5-22-84		7				
5-23-84					11.3	
5-29-84		6.7				
6-5-84					9	4.2
6-12-84	0.47	4.0	2.8			
6-13-84				0.43	9	4.6 - botto
6-20-84					7.3	4.3 - botto
6-26-84	.36	6.3	4.3			
6-27-84				.38	8	4.3 - botto
7-03-84				.33		4.8 - botto
7-10-84	.27		5.0			
7-17-84				.27		4.8 - botto
7-24-84	. 45	2.0	2.1			
7-24-85					3.5	4.9 - botto
8-6-84					1.0	
8-14-84	. 35	1.0	4.5			
8-15-84				.33	4	4.8 - botto
8-30-84				.36		4.8 - botto
9-11-84	. 36	5.0	3.7			
9-13-84				.34	5	4.7 - botto
10-9-84	.38		2.8			
10-11-84				.493		4.5 - botto
12-4-84						
12-6-84				.88		
1-22-85						

¹Average color values for surface, metalimnion and hypolimnion.

